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This is responsive to the Office Action mailed May 8, 2003, the term for response to which expires on June 8, 2003.			
ELECTION:			
Applicants hereby elect Species I, Fig. 2, for further prosecution on the merits, without traverse.			
The claims readable on the elected species of Fig. 2 are claims 1, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 13, 21, 22 and 24.			
It is respectfully requested that prosecution on the merits now proceed with respect to the above election.			
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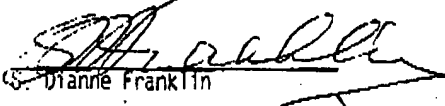
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